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20 August 1969

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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS SUBCOMMITTEE OF COMIREX

MINUTES OF MEETING

10:00 - 12:00 Monday, 11 August 1969

PRESIDING

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Acting Chairman

MEMBERS PRESENT

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Lt. Col. L. B. Minturn, OACSI

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Office of Chairman:

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CONSULTANTS PRESENT

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OBSERVERS PRESENT

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NPIC BRIEFING ON MISSION EXPLOITATION PROBLEMS

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1. [redacted] NPIC, briefed the Subcommittee regarding exploitation problems encountered by NPIC which has resulted from the fragmentation of installations/complexes into subcomponents. To illustrate the problem he used a briefing board of the Tyuratam Missile Test Center and noted that the test center had been assigned 80 BE numbers and subdivided into 58 COMIREX targets. Part of the problem is deciding where to include readout of those parts of the center that don't have a COMIREX number. He cited as an example [redacted]. He stated that his primary objective in the presentation was to bring about a decrease in the size and accountability of targets in the OAK. One means of accomplishing this would be to record only the pass that provided the best coverage rather than the present system which requires the indexing or cataloguing of all redundant coverage on a mission regardless of the number of times covered. However, if the various agencies still required indexing of all the coverage this could be satisfied by means other than including it in the electrical messages and the hard copy OAKS and supplements. In closing [redacted] noted that this was not just an ICRS problem and that he planned to present the briefing to the EXSUBCOM. The Chairman thanked [redacted] for his presentation and assured him ICRS was aware of this problem and is taking action to remedy it.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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2. [redacted] reported that the draft minutes for meeting of 29 July would be distributed in time for review at the next meeting.

REPORT ON SATELLITE OPERATIONS

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3. [redacted] reported that [redacted] one week to permit a second rehearsal. He also reported that Mission 1052 had been rescheduled for 17 September (two week delay) in response to guidance from EXCOM concerning the number of launches during FY 1970 - 1972. Schedule is as follows:

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4. [redacted] reported that the second bucket of 1107 was scheduled for recovery at 0010Z, 12 August. This would be the first time a mission has flown 19 days and was possible only through a combination of favorable factors. He displayed an overlay showing a comparison of the predicted and verified cloud free coverage obtained by bucket one. Approximately 620,000 square nautical miles of the built up areas was obtained on the first bucket. [redacted] and the Middle East were photographed in 90-100 cloud free weather on the second bucket. Weather for the entire mission was generally poor, especially China.

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SOUTH CHINA/NORTH VIETNAM PRIORITIES LIST

7. No changes were made to the priorities list.

CUBA

8. Chairman reported the area coverage for the current 56-day period stands at 94.1 percent.

TARGET UPDATES

9. The weekly transaction sheets containing:

349 Additions
55 Changes
10 Reactivates
4 Inactivates
59 Deletions

were approved.

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Acting Chairman
Imagery Collection Requirements
Subcommittee

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IMAGERY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS COMMITTEE OF COMIREX

AGENDA

10:00 11 August 1969 (MONDAY), Room 2G-22 Headquarters

1. NPIC Briefing - Tyuratam Targeting
2. Approval of Minutes - 29 July Meeting
3. Operational Report - NRO
4. South China/North Vietnam Priorities List
(ICRS-D-6/18-4/69, [REDACTED] 16 July 1969)
5. [REDACTED]
6. [REDACTED]
7. Update COMIREX file - Pages 449 thru 502
8. Other Business

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